



## Texas Department of Public Safety Texas Division of Emergency Management State Situation Report

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<b>Event Name</b>	8 May 2015 Severe Weather Event SITREP
<b>Date</b>	05/25/2015
<b>Time</b>	0700
<b>Operational Period</b>	05/24/15 – 05/25/15
<b>Report Number</b>	18

<b>Regions Affected</b>	
<b>DPS Regions Affected</b>	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
<b>DDCs Active</b>	3-Wichita Falls, 4-Hurst, 4-Garland, 6-Tyler, 12-Austin, 14-Lufkin, 16-Houston, 16-Conroe, 16-Houston, 16-Pierce, 16-Texas City, 18-San Antonio, 20-Corpus Christi, 22-Sherman

### STATEWIDE CURRENT SITUATION:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued a proclamation certifying that the severe weather, tornado and flooding incident that began on Monday May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015, has caused a disaster in Bosque, Clay, Denton, Eastland, Gaines, Montague and Van Zandt Counties. An updated proclamation added Cooke, Grimes, Hood, Navarro, Smith and Wise Counties on May 15<sup>th</sup>. State Emergency Management Council have sent state agency and volunteer agency representatives to the SOC to support resource requests. The SOC will be conducting daily severe weather conference calls with the National Weather Service Offices and state agency representatives at 10:00 am (CDT). The SOC increased its readiness to Level I (Emergency Conditions) at 6:00 am Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup>.

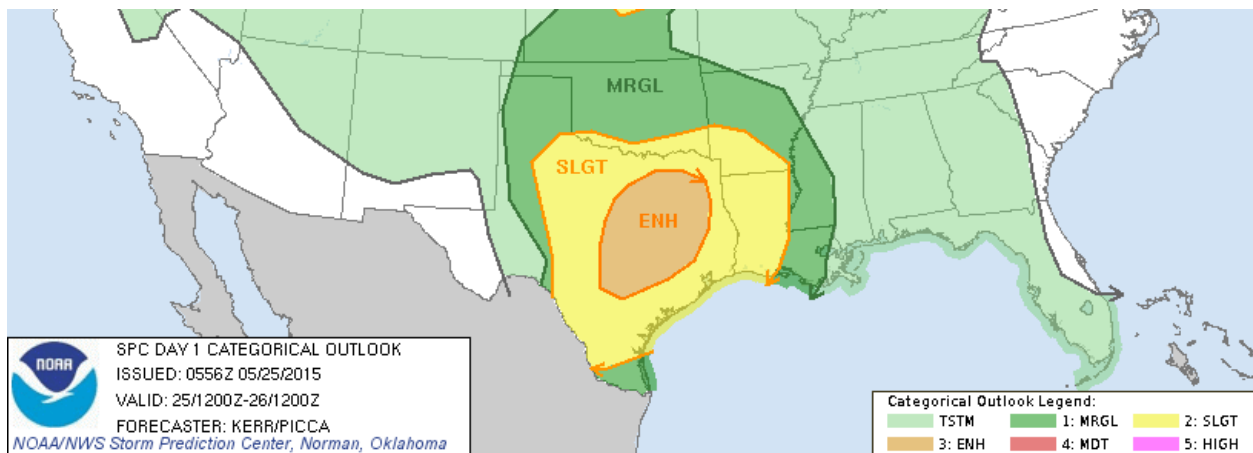
A front will be moving through the state today, producing showers and storms throughout the day. An area of showers and thunderstorms is developing over the Permian Basin this morning and will continue to expand and shift eastward throughout the day. As it does, there is a slight to enhanced risk of severe storms over much of the central and eastern portions of the state this afternoon and evening. Damaging winds, hail and isolated tornadoes are possible with some of these storms.

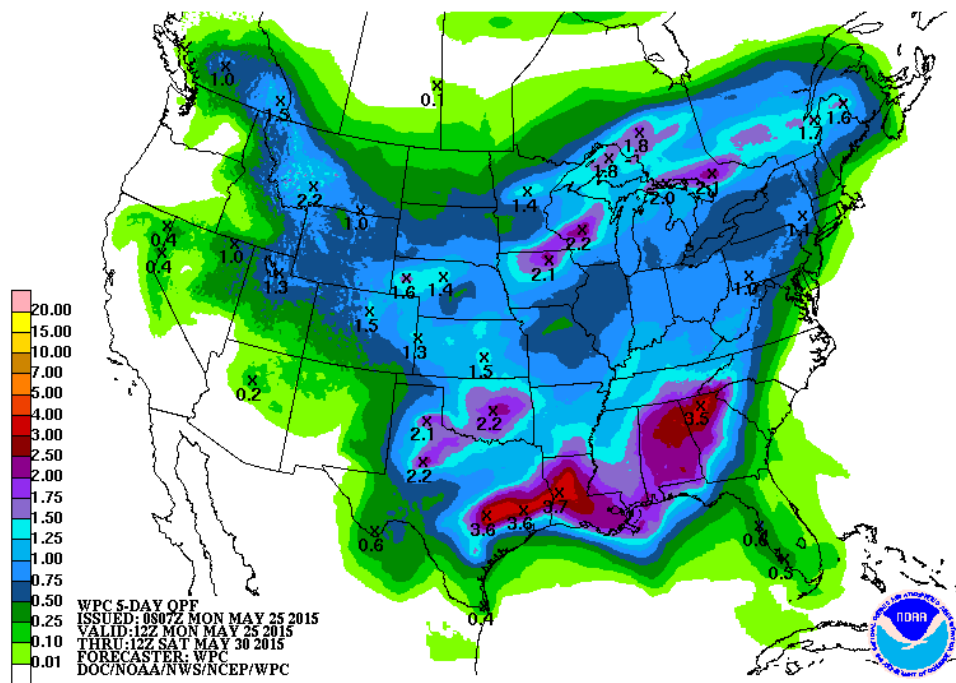
By this evening, a large area of showers and storms is expected to extend from northeast Texas down through south-central Texas. In addition to the severe weather threat, these storms are capable of producing 3 to 4 inches of rainfall over much of central and east Texas today, with localized higher amounts. Due to recent rains, the flash flood threat will therefore be very high throughout the day as these storms develop and move eastward throughout the state. There

are Flash Flood Watches posted for almost all of central and eastern Texas today, including the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex and Austin-San Antonio area.

This activity will likely be over eastern and especially northeastern portions of the state by late tonight and continue to shift eastward and weaken as we head into the early morning hours on Tuesday.

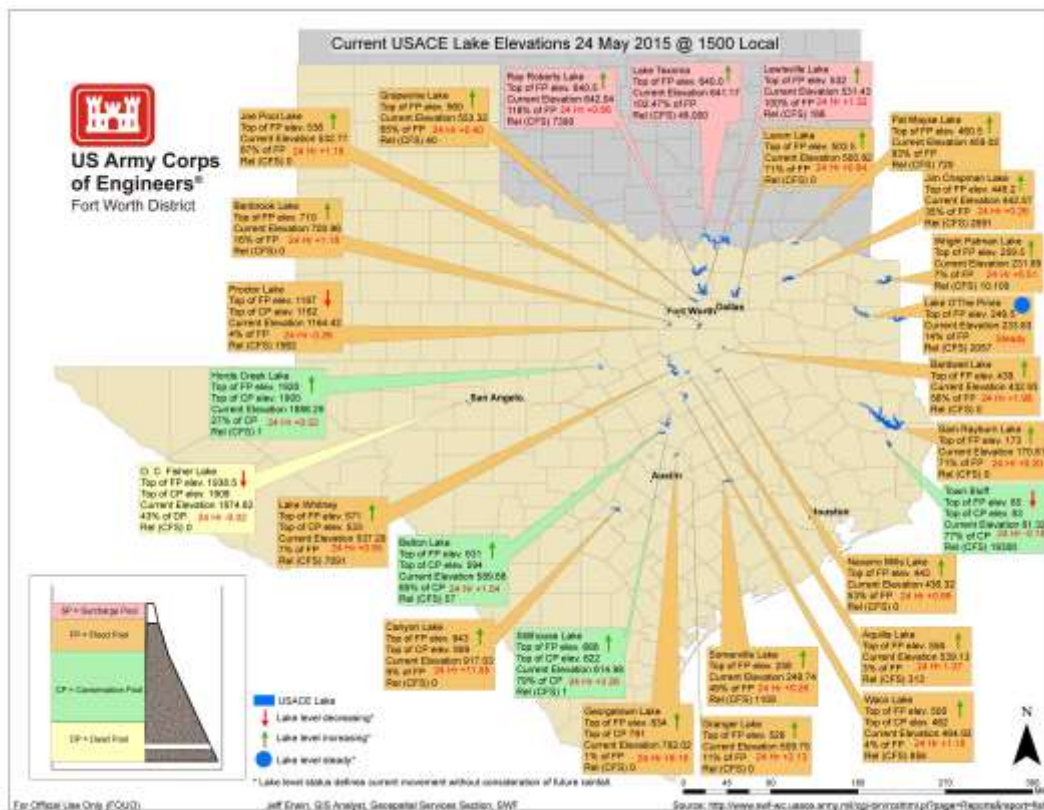
The SOC continues to monitor the flood wave from rains that occurred on Saturday night in Wimberley as it moves into the Guadalupe River. The flood waters reached the San Marcos River at Luling last night, which crested at 36.58 feet. It is expected to move downstream today towards the Guadalupe River at Gonzales, which is expected to crest late tonight into early tomorrow morning at 43.5 feet. At this projected level, it is expected that Major flooding closes Highways 183, 97 and Farm to Market 108. Runoff down the Tinsley Creek in Gonzales added to the Guadalupe River backwater can flood lowest homes near the creek. Secondary roads and streets near the river can be flooded and dangerous to motorists. Moderate lowland flooding can also inundate a large area of pastureland northwest of Gonzales between the Guadalupe and San Marcos Rivers.





5 Day Rainfall Forecast

Current Lake Conditions are reported on attached map, no projected concerns with USACE Lakes at this time all are functioning as designed.



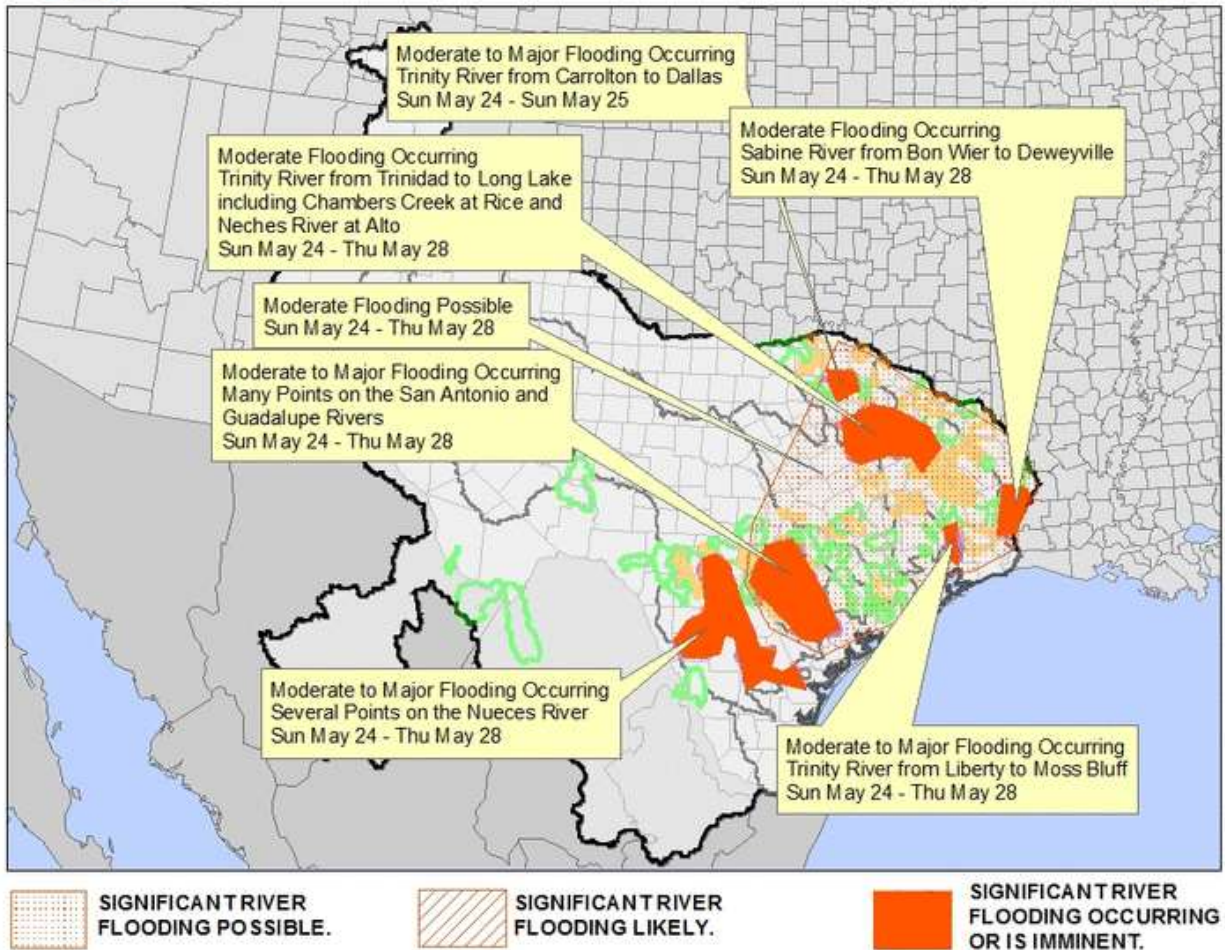




# Significant River Flood Outlook

Valid: 5/24/2015 - 5/29/2015

West Gulf River Forecast Center 5/24/2015 12:36:09 PM



**National Weather Service (NWS) Fort Worth:** Scattered to numerous strong to severe thunderstorms will move across the region through the afternoon, then continue east of Interstate 35 through the evening. Large hail, damaging downburst winds and heavy rainfall are expected to be the main threat. Any additional heavy rain will rapidly run off and only aggravate ongoing river flooding across the area. A few tornadoes are possible as well.

**NWS Houston/Galveston:** An upper level disturbance will trigger another complex of showers and thunderstorms that will move across the area today. A FLASH FLOOD WATCH has been issued with 1 to 3 inch rainfall amounts possible in the watch area. Areas north of Interstate 10 are more favorable for higher amounts. There is also a risk for severe storms into the evening with damaging winds, large hail and tornadoes.

**NWS Norman:** There is a slight risk of severe thunderstorms over North Texas. Storms are expected to move from West Texas into the Wichita Falls area around noon. Very strong winds up to 80 mph are possible along with additional flooding, hail and tornadoes.

**NWS Lubbock:** A round of thunderstorms will move through this morning into the early afternoon with the potential for a few of these to become strong to severe. Large hail up to ping pong ball size will be the primary hazard.

**NWS Austin/San Antonio:** Flash flooding is possible Monday from late morning through the evening, with a slight risk of severe thunderstorms, in an area east of a line from Kerr to Dimmit Counties. An upper level storm system will move across South Central Texas bringing another round of thunderstorms that will produce locally heavy rain. At any given location rain will fall in a 1 to 2 hour time frame. Rainfall totals will generally be from 1 to 3 inches, but a few places could see as much as 5 inches. With all of the recent rain, it will not take much for some places to flood. A FLASH FLOOD WATCH has been issued for the area mentioned above from Monday morning until just after midnight Tuesday. The highest risk for heavy rain will be Monday afternoon and evening. There is also a slight chance for some storms to be severe. The main severe threats will be damaging straight-line winds and a possible tornado.

**NWS San Angelo:** There is a slight risk of severe thunderstorms today. Large hail, damaging winds and isolated tornadoes are possible this morning and afternoon. Locally heavy rainfall amount may also produce flash flooding on already saturated soils. A FLASH FLOOD WATCH is in effect through this afternoon.

**NWS Amarillo:** Thunderstorms are possible across the Southeast Texas Panhandle from this morning through this afternoon. Severe weather is not expected.

**NWS Midland/Odessa:** There is a chance of thunderstorms today across the Permian Basin and Lower Trans Pecos during the morning and afternoon. Some of these storms may become strong to severe and produce large hail and damaging winds. Locally heavy rainfall will also be possible, which could result in flash flooding.

### **Operational Priorities:**

1. Protect life and property.
2. Support rapid & effective response.
3. Collect and disseminate accurate incident information to improve decision-making.
4. Accurately track incident costs associated with assigned resources for cost recovery.
5. Maintain communication with impacted local jurisdictions.

### **Region 1** (Includes DDCs 4, 5, 6, 22)

Disaster assessments continue. Weather conditions are being monitored in the event activation levels might need to be raised.

**DDC 4 Hurst** (Includes Wise, Denton, Palo Pinto, Parker, Tarrant, Hood, Erath, Johnson and Somervell Counties)

DDC Hurst EOC decreased its activation level to Level III (Increased Readiness Conditions).

**Mansfield:** The City of Mansfield submitted a Disaster Summary Outline (DSO).

**Denton County:** Denton County has been scheduled for a Preliminary Damage Assessment (PDA) for Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am.

**Palo Pinto County:** A Disaster Declaration and a DSO were submitted.

**DDC 4 Garland** (Includes Collin, Hunt, Dallas, Rockwall, Kaufman, Ellis and Navarro Counties)

DDC 4 Garland EOC remains at Level III (Increased Readiness Conditions)

**Dallas County:**

**City of Dallas:** A roof was blown off a building at 2835 Villa Creek. South-facing windows and guardrail destroyed at 2875 Villa Creek. At 2120 Valley View, power lines are down. Large trees destroyed at Pepper Park. At intersection of Distribution Way and Denton, railroad arms snapped off. 14011 Stemmons, a power line snapped and transformers are down; damage also to poles of the building and roof (could possibly collapse). The Army Navy Store has blown out windows. At 2000 Valwood a building sustained significant damage (roof blown off, trees uprooted, and debris tossed onto Valwood). City Streets were called out to remove debris from roadway.

**City of Farmers Branch:** City of Farmers Branch reported storm damage to buildings, power lines and downed trees.

**City of Irving:** An EF-0 tornado touched down near 700 Hidden Ridge, just north of the Las Colinas golf course. There was scattered tree damage from there northwestward. The tornado possibly became an EF-1 just southeast of Walnut Hill and McArthur and lifted at State Highway (SH) 114 just west of McArthur. In the aftermath, crews cleared trees and other debris from the roadway and repair crews addressed malfunctioning traffic signals.



**DDC 5 Mount Pleasant:** (Includes Lamar, Delta, Hopkins, Franklin, Bowie, Cass, Morris, Titus and Red River Counties)

DDC Mt. Pleasant remains at Level III (Increased Readiness).

**Cass County:** A DSO, Letter to the Governor, and a disaster declaration was submitted.

**DDC 6 Tyler:** (Includes Rains, Van Zandt, Henderson, Anderson, Wood, Smith, Cherokee, Camp, Upshur, Gregg, Rusk, Marion, Harrison and Panola Counties)

**Henderson County:** A Disaster Declaration, amended DSO and Request Letter were submitted.

**Van Zandt County:** The City of Van and Van Zandt County continue to work on debris removal and support ongoing recovery efforts. The Van Zandt EOC is still active. Damages/Current Assessments: 62 homes were damaged, 56 homes with major damages, 41 homes with minor damage, and 45 homes are still being assessed. An updated DSO was submitted.

**Harrison County:** A Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) Trooper reported a tornado touchdown at Farm to Market (FM) 2625 and moved northeast. Several trees were knocked down. A tractor trailer semi-trailer (TTST) was blown over on IH 20.

**DDC 22 Sherman** (Includes Cooke, Fannin and Grayson Counties)

DDC 22 Sherman remains at Level III (Increased Readiness Conditions)

**Grayson County:** State Highway (SH) 289 has high water and many side streets are impassible due to flash flooding. Lake Texoma's spillway waters crossed over SH 91, which required closing the road.

**Region 2** (Includes DDCs 13, 14, 15, 16)

All DDCs in Region 2 are at Level III activation at this time.

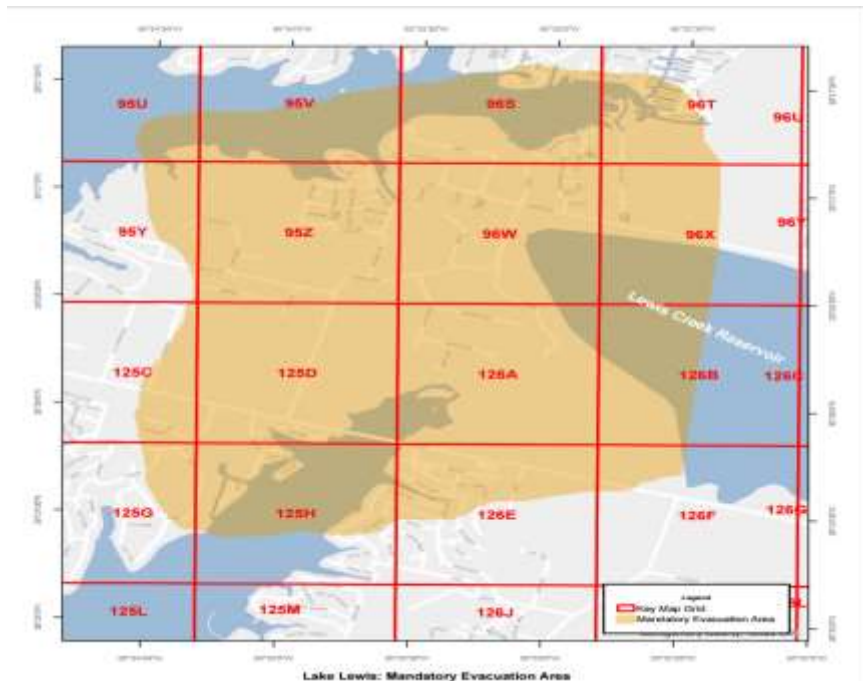
**DDC 15 Beaumont:** (Includes Hardin, Jefferson and Orange Counties)

**Jasper County:** A Disaster Declaration was submitted.

**DDC 16 Conroe** (Includes Montgomery, Liberty, Waller and Walker Counties)

**Montgomery County:** Mandatory evacuations were ordered for residents near Lewis Creek Dam (see map). The NWS forecasts predict an additional 2-4 inches of rain. A Red Cross shelter was opened at the Lone Star Community Center located at 2500 Lone Star Parkway. On Monday, May 24<sup>th</sup> the evacuation order was lifted.





**DDC 16 Houston:** (Includes Harris and Chambers Counties)

**Harris County:** NWS Houston confirmed an EF-1 tornado in southwest Houston. The tornado damaged roofs of apartment homes. The American Red Cross (ARC) established a shelter for displaced residents at the Chinese Community Center at 9800 Town Park Drive. METRO Transit Authority bused residents to the center that did not have transportation.

**Region 3** (Includes DDCs 19, 20, 21, and 24)

**DDC 20 Corpus Christi:** (Includes Bee, Live Oak, Refugio, Jim Wells, San Patricio, Nueces, Duval, Kleberg, Brooks & Kenedy Counties)

DDC-20 Corpus Christi remains at Level III (Increased Readiness).

**DDC 21 Weslaco:** (Includes Cameron, Hidalgo & Willacy Counties)

DDC 21 Weslaco remains at Level III (Increased Readiness Conditions).

**Hidalgo County:** SH 186 10-15 miles east of US 281 near the Willacy/Hidalgo County line is flooded.

**DDC 24 Del Rio:** (Includes Val Verde, Edwards, Real, Kinney, Uvalde, Maverick, Zavala, Dimmit and La Salle Counties)

Several roads are closed within the district due to flooding.

**Real County:** Heavy rainfall and local flooding in the City of Camp Wood resulted in evacuations for three families. The 1st Baptist Church has been identified as a shelter with the Community Center as back up. A 35 kilowatt generator has been located, and master electricians have been asked for help in setting up the generator should the need arise. It is



anticipated that 80 - 100 persons may have to be evacuated if rains continue. Notifications are being conducted to warn persons of continued eminent flooding. Real County Sheriff's Office (SO) deputies are conducting monitoring efforts and notifications as needed. TxDOT Real District has been contacted for possible assistance with two high profile vehicles. The ARC of Kerrville has been notified and remains on stand by for the official notification from Camp Wood. The Real County EOC remains activated.

**Zavala County:** Multiple farm to market (FM) roadways are closed due to flooding.

**Uvalde County:** Game Wardens assisted the Uvalde County Sheriff's Office (SO) and Fire Department with the evacuation of 22 persons at 7 Bluffs Ranch with the help of a private pilot who was recruited by the SO to airlift these subjects (*see photo*). This event began on Saturday at approximately 6:00 p.m., however, Game Wardens were unable to reach the area due to terrain and swift water. Five Game Wardens will be on standby at the Uvalde County EOC until deactivated. There were 23 confirmed rescues in Uvalde County.



**Dimmit County:** The City of Asherton reported roadway and some residential damage due to flooding. FM 1557 north of Asherton was closed.

**Edwards County:** The County Judge intends to declare a disaster for storm related damage in the Camp Wood Hills subdivision and the City of Rocksprings. There are numerous road closures in the county.

**Region 5** (Includes DDCs 1, 2, 3, 7)

**DDC 1 Amarillo:** (Dallam, Sherman, Hansford, Ochiltree, Lipscomb, Hartley, Moore, Hutchinson, Roberts, Hemphill, Oldham, Potter, Carson, Gray, Wheeler, Deaf Smith, Randall, Armstrong, Donley, Collingsworth, Parmer, Castro, Swisher, Briscoe, Hall and Childress Counties)

**Wheeler County:** Dam safety checks were conducted on the Childress/HWY 183 Dam. The slide is seeping at its base in 4 to 5 locations. The flow is estimated at 1-3 gallons per minute.

TCEQ has recommended that the seepage rate be monitored closely and to look for signs of suspended soil and monitor the limits of the slide for additional movement.

**DDC 3 Wichita Falls** (Includes Archer, Baylor, Clay, Cottle, Foard, Hardeman, Jack, Montague, Wichita, Wilbarger and Young Counties)

DDC 03 Wichita Falls remains at Level II (Escalated Response). 20 Highway Patrol Troopers and the DDC Lubbock Captain have arrived to support DDC 3 operations. Wichita County Humane Society is operating to take care of evacuees' pets. 24 dogs and an aquarium of fish have been taken in. Super sandbags are being utilized to protect the wastewater plant. A TPWD Game Warden Strike Team of 5 boats have been assigned to the DDC.

**Wichita County:** 1,500 homes were evacuated in Wichita County and 2,974 homes were evacuated in Wichita Falls. The Wichita River began to recede slightly Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, allowing residents in the Tanglewood, Eastside, Wrangler's Retreat and Horseshoe Bend neighborhoods to return home.

**Region 6** (Includes DDCs 11/23, 12, 17 and 18)

**DDC 11/23 Waco** (Includes Bosque, Hill, Freestone, Limestone, McLennan, Falls, Hamilton, Mills, Coryell, San Saba, Lampasas, Bell, and Milam Counties)

**Bell County:** Overnight, rains caused minor localized flooding in the Killeen and Belton areas. I35 NB and SB services in Belton @ Nolan Creek have water on the roadway. Minor damages to trees and signs reported. Currently there are 55 outages affecting 1,177 customers in Bell County, Killeen.

**DDC 12 Austin** (Includes Bastrop, Blanco, Burnet, Caldwell, Fayette, Hays, Lee, Llano, Travis and Williamson Counties)

DDC 12 – Austin has elevated their activation level to Level I (Emergency Conditions)

**Bastrop County:** Bastrop County has submitted a Disaster Declaration and Request Letter.

**Blanco County:** Blanco County has received over 7 inches of rain and is experiencing flooding throughout the County. The EMC has reported several motorists stranded between forks off the Blanco River. Water rescues are on-going.

**City of Blanco:** Chisolm Trail Water has water supply issues.

**Caldwell County:** Twenty-five injuries were reported in Caldwell County and there were 40 evacuees from the City of Luling. There is a mandatory curfew for the City of Luling from 9:00 PM to 6:00 AM. An estimated 1,400 structures are damaged.

**Hays County:** There are approximately 1220 evacuees from low lying areas in Hays County. Approximately 40 homes are destroyed, 70 washed away and 400 impacted by flooding. The Hays County Jail evacuated 220 inmates. There is a curfew in Hays County from 9:00 PM to 7:00 AM.

**City of Wimberley:** An estimated 350 homes were fully submerged.

**City of San Marcos:** Approximately 550 properties and 1130 structures were impacted by flooding. One fatality was reported. A mandatory curfew has been set in place for the City of San Marcos from 9:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.

**Dripping Springs:** In Dripping Springs a swift water rescue was reported for an individual trapped on top of their vehicle. An emergency shelter has been opened in Dripping Springs at the Rooster Springs Elementary School.

**City of San Marcos:** Evacuations for some parts of the City, emergency officials in San Marcos have elected to evacuate certain areas of the city near the Blanco River based upon previous flood data and the anticipated water level within the next two to four hours. Based upon water levels seen in Wimberley and further west, officials feel strongly that areas of the city near the Blanco River will flood to a degree necessitating this evacuation. Residents along the Blanco including those in the Blanco Gardens area, Crepe Myrtle/Pecan/Hackberry Street area, and the portions of Blanco Vista nearest to the river must evacuate. Police officers and firefighters will begin making door to door notifications immediately. A temporary shelter is available at the San Marcos Activity Center. San Marcos has activated school buses to transport residents with no transportation.

**Travis County:** The Austin –Travis County EOC has been activated due to severe weather. Austin Travis County EMS dispatched three SWR Teams to Wimberley to assist. The National Weather Service has confirmed that an EF-1 tornado touchdown occurred in North Austin.

**Williamson County:** The National Weather service has confirmed that an EF-1 tornado touchdown occurred in the Gabriels Overlook subdivision.

**DDC 17 Victoria** (Includes Gonzales, Lavaca, Jackson, Victoria, DeWitt, Goliad and Calhoun Counties)

**Victoria County:** Moderate flooding of the Guadalupe River is ongoing.

**DDC 18 San Antonio** (Includes Gillespie, Kerr, Bandera, Medina, Frio, Kendall, Comal and Guadalupe Counties)

**Bandera:** The Medina River rose six feet in one hour and low lying campgrounds were evacuated. Campers were allowed to stay in the Bandera High School parking lot. There is a Bandera Independent School District (ISD) School bus with 40 children that cannot get back Bandera and a shelter location is being coordinated. The Pipe Creek and Bandera Fire Stations are open for residents that are evacuating. The Bandera County Emergency Operation Center (EOC) is partially activated. A RV Park along the river has evacuated campers in the low lying area. Multiple road closures are reported.

**Comal County:** Widespread rain has resulted in flooding across Comal County. One swift water rescue has taken place in the Bulverde/Spring Branch area. A voluntary evacuation of the numerous campgrounds along River Road has been issued. The rumored tornado touchdown has not been confirmed for the City of Bulverde. US-281 Southbound is closed at the Comal County Line is closed due to water over the roadway. Water is currently at 10 feet. Texas Department of Transportation is evaluating the situation.

City of New Braunfels EOC has activated for localized flooding.

**Kendall County:** The Kendall County EOC remains activated. Several high water rescues have been conducted throughout the county and local crews have requested that an AMBUS and swift water rescue teams be staged in Boerne. The City of Boerne is preparing for a potential evacuation of a senior care facility and apartment complex. The senior care facility, located on raised ground, has become isolated and the City of Boerne is preparing to evacuate the 60 residents. The apartment complex has an unknown number of residents. Two ARC shelters have been established on both sides of the Blanco River – Boerne First Baptist Church and Middle School North. State Highway (SH) 46 has been closed in Boerne due to flooding.

**Medina County:** The Medina County Officials issued a voluntary evacuation order. A shelter was opened at the D'Hanis High School.

**Frio County:** Game Wardens, San Antonio Fire Department (FD) and Pearsall FD rescued 4 individuals from a vehicle that was swept from the roadway in Moore Hollow Creek.

**DDC 18 ARCC/Bexar** (Includes Bexar, Wilson, Karnes, Atascosa and McMullen Counties)

**McMullen County:** Moderate flooding of the Nueces River is ongoing.

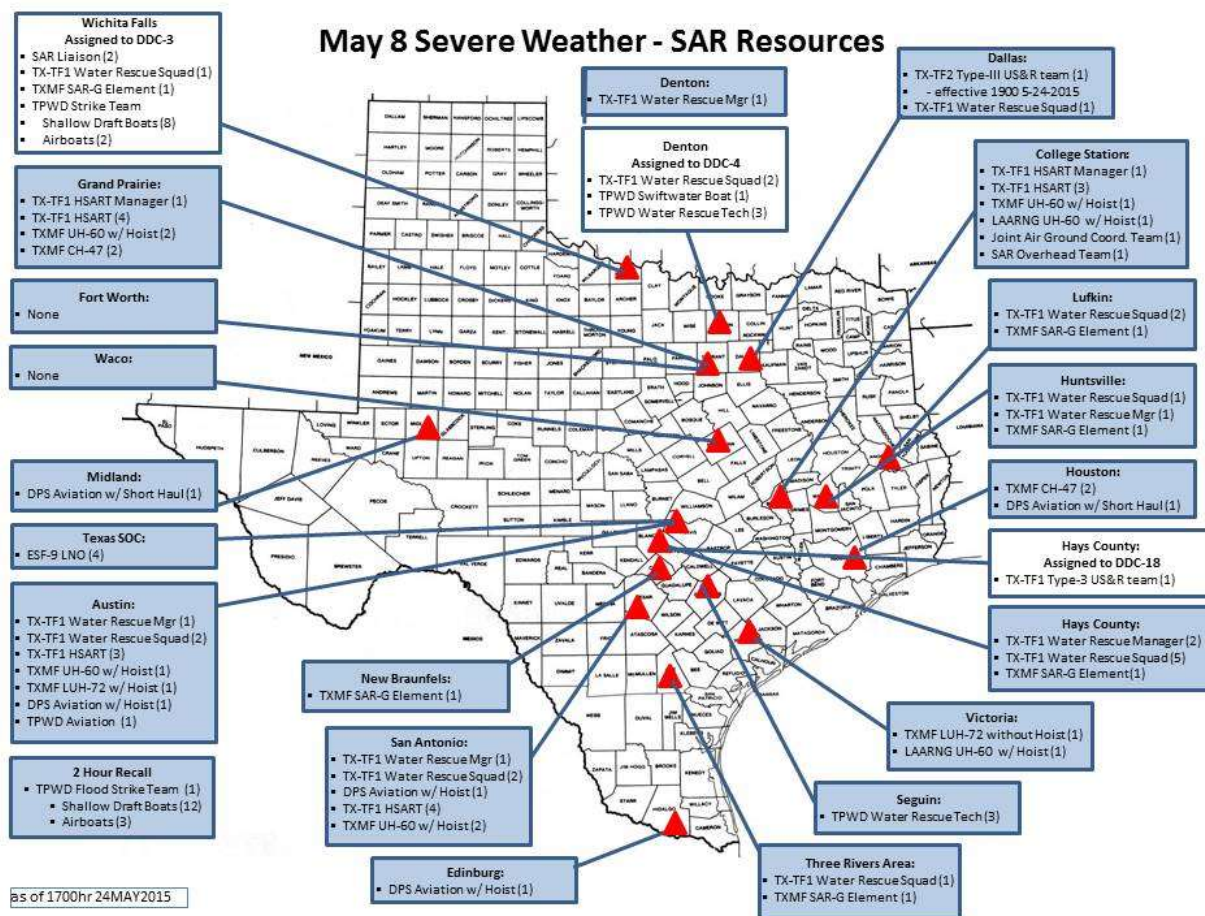
**Wilson County:** A DSO and Disaster Declaration was submitted.

### **RESPONDING STATE AGENCIES/ORGANIZATIONS** **REPORTS**

**Texas Task Force 1 (TEEX/TX-TF1):** Twelve State of Texas Swift Water Rescue Squads have been activated, and are available in Austin, San Antonio, Three Rivers, Huntsville, Lufkin, College Station, Dallas, Denton County and Wichita Falls. Four Swift Water Rescue Managers have been activated. A Type-III US&R team is in College Station. A Type II US&R team was activated and staged in Wimberley. The Joint Air Ground Coordination Team (JAGCT) and SAR Overhead are in College Station. Thirteen Helicopter Search and Rescue Teams (HSART) and 4 HSART Managers are in Grand Prairie, College Station, Austin and Martindale. Supporting on-going swift water rescues. Additional SOC Liaisons were requested.

Aircraft operations are scheduled during daylight hours





**Texas Taskforce 2 (Dallas Fire Rescue/TX-TF2):** Tx-TF2 Urban Search and Rescue (US&R) was activated in support of flooding operations and are staged in Dallas.

**Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS):** DPS continues to monitor severe weather conditions consisting of tornado warnings, flooding, heavy rain and road closings. A trooper response roster is being maintained for all six regions, has been prepared for troopers to respond to possible flooding and road closures for the upcoming week. Each regional roster is comprised of 50 troopers and 5 sergeants per region. Twenty-one Highway Patrol Troopers arrived at DDC Wichita Falls to support the DDC and are standing by.

#### Aviation assets:

Five SAR helicopters, 3 hoists and 2 short hauls are available for the SOC. One in San Antonio (hoist), 1 in Austin (hoist), 1 in Edinburg (hoist), 1 in Houston (short haul) and 1 in Midland (short haul). DPS also has 1 fixed-wing asset with downlink capability that could send live footage into the SOC (weather dependent). All missions and assets have been added to the Aviation Board in WebEOC. Local helicopters are available in Austin, Dallas, and San Antonio.

Texas Military Forces and Louisiana Military Forces operations for military forces aircraft (daylight hours only) are 7:00 am-6:30 pm, first shift; and 9:00 am-8:30 pm, second shift.

DPS reported no changes. Search and recon helicopters are available for activation. During the time when JAGCT is not open, the Air Liaison may notify DPS communications of pending missions for dispatch of aircraft.

Air Operations Center (AOC) is operational during daylight hours at Camp Mabry.

TPWD aircraft remains active from the Austin area for recon missions.

Joint Air/Ground Coordination Team will be active daily from 6:00 am – 8:00 pm.

**Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM):** TDEM personnel have been actively responding to this severe weather and flooding event. DC Capitol is deployed to DDC 12 – Austin to support DDC operations. DC 07 – Abilene deployed to Wichita Falls. DC 13 – Bryan deployed to DDC Garland.

TDEM Disaster Finance Coordinator – Region 1 is assisting the SOC Finance Section with calculation of state agency response costs. Regional Disaster Finance staff have deployed to the City of Van to assist with disaster cost documentation.

**Texas Military Forces (TXMF):** TXMF has activated a total of 275 personnel, 81 vehicles and 14 aircraft in support of the 2015 May 08 Severe Weather Event. Texas Military Forces has 6 Aerial Transportation Package staged in Grand Prairie, Bryan, Austin, Houston, Victoria and San Antonio in support of Tx-TF1. One Ground Transportation Package is assigned to DDC 4 (Hurst) staged in Denton, Granbury and Cleburne. Additionally two Search and Rescue (SAR) Companies and 2 Ground Transportation Packages are supporting Tx-TF1. One SAR Company is positioned in Yoakum, Huntsville and Lufkin. The other SAR Company is positioned in Wichita Falls, New Braunfels and Three Rivers. Texas Military Forces is supporting the SOC with 8 personnel to supplement the Plans Section and 5 personnel to support the Logistic Section in the Intake Group. Military District Coordinators (MDCs) have been activated in Wichita Falls, Tyler, Garland and Hurst.

TXMF continues to support on-going evacuation operations in Hays and Caldwell County.

TxDOT has moved the sandbags (Super Sacks) and slings to College Station, where they will be palletized then moved to Grand Prairie and Ellington Field, to stage near the Chinooks. Once a response is required, they will deploy and establish a sandbag filling and sling-load site, close to the impacted area.

Resource Kind and Type	Qty	# Personnel	Status	Resource Location
Ground Support Package	1	24	Assigned	Denton/Granbury/ Cleburne
Aerial Transportation Package (2x UH-60's)	2	7	Assigned	Grand Prairie
Aerial Transportation Package (2x CH-47's)	2	4	Available	Grand Prairie
Aerial Transportation Package (2x UH-60's)	2	4	Assigned	San Antonio
Aerial Transportation Package (2x CH 47's)	2	10	Assigned	Ellington Airfield
Aerial Transportation Package (2x UH-60's)	2	14	Assigned	Ellington Airfield
Aerial Transportation Package (2x UH-60's)	2	8	Assigned	College Station & Victoria (EMAC-LA

				Military Forces)
Aerial Transportation Package (1x UH-60) and (1 LUH-72)	2	7	Assigned	Austin (ABIA)
Air Coordination Group	1	2	Assigned	College Station
Military District Coordinator (MDC)	1	1	Assigned	Tyler
Military District Coordinator (MDC)	1	1	Assigned	Hurst
Plans Section Support Team (TXSG)	1	8	Activated	DPS SOC
Ground SAR Package	1	84	Activated	Lufkin/ Huntsville/ College Station
Ground SAR Package	1	84	Activated	Three Rivers/Wichita Falls/New Braunfels/Waco
SOC Plans Support Team (TXSG)	1	5	Activated	DPS SOC

**Texas Wing, Civil Air Patrol (CAP):** Twenty-six single-engine Cessna aircraft and 1 Gippsland GA8 is available across the state.

**Texas A&M Forest Service (TFS):** TFS continues to staff Emergency Services Branch at the SOC filling the roles of Emergency Services Branch Director, Deputy Emergency Services Branch Director, and TFS ESF-4. DDC 6 Tyler has a TFS representative continuing to assist with daily DDC situation reports working remotely from the TFS office. The Liaison is assigned to the Joint Air/ Ground Coordination Team. DDC 4 Hurst has 2 TFS representatives assisting the planning function. IMT Planning Team has reported to Wichita Falls. They are reporting resources from TDEM, TEEX, TAHC, ARC, TXMF, TxDOT, and DPS.

Resource Kind and Type	Quantity	# Personnel	Status	Resource Location
SOC Staff	1	5	Assigned	Austin
Liaison Officer at JAGCT	1	1	Assigned	College Station
IMT Planning Section	1	9	Activated	Wichita Falls
Transport Sandbagging Ops	1	2	Activated	San Antonio
Transport Sandbagging Ops	1	2	Activated	Wichita Falls
Transport Sandbagging Ops	1	2	Activated	Pharr
Transport Sandbagging Ops	1	2	Activated	Tyler
GIS Staff	1	3	Activated	Austin

**Texas Parks & Wildlife Department (TPWD):** Game Wardens statewide remain on standby with equipment for flood response. One Game Warden Strike Team consisting of 22 Game Wardens, 3 airboats and 12 shallow draft boats are on standby in the Travis County area. 20 Game Wardens and 10 boats are staged and activated in Wichita Falls. Currently in Wimberley, TPWD has 12 Game Wardens actively engaged in attempting to locate unaccounted for persons at residences along the Blanco River. Responders have not been able to reach them by land to verify their welfare. TPWD helicopter and river boat teams are currently dropping Game Wardens onto the ground in residential and rural areas to accomplish this mission. Tx-TF1 has arrived on scene and anticipates taking over ongoing operations tonight and tomorrow.

In Hays County last night, Game Wardens responded to 40 to 50 emergency calls for service, including multiple swift water rescues. The region's focus for tonight and tomorrow will be assisting in the Mardindale area of Caldwell County.

Supporting on-going swift water rescues in Hays and Blanco Counties. Assisted Uvalde County with overnight evacuations in the 7 Bluffs Ranch area. 8 Game Wardens are assisting with flood response operations in Wimberley with 2 SAR boats. TPWD A-Star Helicopter is assigned to Wimberley. 5 Game Wardens in region 5 were involved in multiple rescues of stranded motorists overnight.

Resource Kind and Type	Qty	# Personnel	Status	Resource Location
SAR Boat	1	3	Activated	Garland/Hurst DDC
SAR Boat	1	3	Activated	Seguin
*Strike Team (Boat)	1	22	Standby	Central Texas/Travis County
**Helo	1	2	Activated	Austin

\*Strike Team has 4 airboats & 16 shallow draft boats \*\*Helo in Austin; can be available statewide in 1 hour

### **Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ):**

Athens Fish and Game Club Lake Dam (**Henderson County**): TCEQ Dam Safety Engineers continue to monitor the situation.

Lewis Creek Reservoir (**Montgomery County**): Entergy Texas Inc. (dam owner) reporting that they are experiencing multiple surface slides on the downstream slope of their dam. There are 8 surface slides on the downstream slope at this time. The County Emergency Management Coordinator (EMC) is working with the owner to prepare for additional emergency measures. The lake is being slowly lowered to prevent any slides on the upstream slope and to reduce pressure on the dam.

**Debris Sites:** TCEQ staff continues to work with Smith and Johnson Counties as well as City of Van (Van Zandt County) on temporary debris management sites. TCEQ staff is working with Wise County to finalize the application for a temporary debris management site.

**Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT):** At FM 165, the bridge washed away at the Blanco River; pavement washed away at RM 2786, RM 32 and RM 473; FM 165 box culvert eroded. Barricades have been placed at these locations, but establishment of traffic control for long-term closure is in process. Maintenance crews are clearing debris and assessing damage. TxDOT is in the process of deploying a team to inspect the integrity of these bridges. There are unconfirmed reports of damage to other structures as well. TxDOT crews responded to eastern and southern Travis County to assist with tree removals. Crews and Special Crews are responding to assist with heavy debris removal in Burnet, Mason, Llano, Blanco, Gillespie, Hays and Caldwell Counties. Crews continue to assess damage in San Antonio. DPS Del Rio requested that two 10-yard dump trucks be made available in the event of evacuations in the area. One was for Camp Wood and one was for Leakey. The truck in Leakey was used to move a family across a low-water crossing. IH 44 service road is closed at the Wichita River; SH 240 is closed at the Wichita River; and FM 1740 is closed from the Wichita County line to



two miles east. Currently, there are 54 impaired roads with flood issues and 58 closed to flood or flood damage.

**Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS):** Monitoring flooding activity for any ESF-8 resource requests. Local Assets has established lillypad for SAR evacuated persons. EMTF 7 is supplying one AMBUS and one Type V (1 Nurse Practitioner and 2 Registered Nurses) as well as one Medical Incident Support Team (M-IST) single resource. Evacuate 14 individuals at this time via one (1) DPS rotary and two (2) Blackhawks. Estimate 60-100 total individuals to be evacuated. No requests for state health and medical services at this time.

Resource Kind and Type	Qty	# Personnel	Status	Resource Location
SOC Liaison	1	1	Assigned	SOC
HSR Liaison	1	1	Assigned	DDC-Tyler

**Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ):** The TDCJ has provided an additional 170 pallets to the Liberty TxDOT location for sandbag operations and also provided the transport. Sandbag operations continue at the Rusk, Huntsville, and Liberty locations. TDCJ Wardens and the local TxDOT personnel are determining work schedules. TDCJ has not experienced any flooding and has no unmet needs.

**Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service:** Certain Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service personnel have been demobilized. One Emergency Management Specialist is performing agency emergency coordination and reporting; one Agricultural Communications Specialist is participating on the State Agency Public Relations Joint Information Command remain active on the incident.

**Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC):**

Energy Company	Outages Reported
Austin Energy	742
Oncor	1,349
AEP Texas	120
CenterPoint	997
Bluebonnet	1
Entergy	21

**Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) including 2-1-1:** Health and Human Services Commission along with 2-1-1 continues to monitor the situation and to monitor for office closures. They are on standby to conduct damage assessments if needed. Two HHSC personnel are on site at the SOC.

**2-1-1** is referring the Webster (Bay Area) residents affected by flooding to go to the United Way Bay Area Service Center to speak with a Red Cross worker for assistance. Also, Nueces County residents are being directed to the County Commissioner's Office to report damage to their home or businesses. 2-1-1's Area Information Centers (AICs) have continued to stay in contact with local emergency management entities in their area to be aware of local resources.

**2-1-1** Specialists are prepared to refer callers to the *Safe and Well* registry and the *DriveTexas* website, or to assist callers in the use of these resources. They are also prepared to refer callers as appropriate to currently available mass care shelters.

**Texas Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD):** Texas VOADs were active yesterday in Cisco, Denton and Van. Texas VOAD held an 11:00 am conference call to discuss the current events, unmet needs and on-going actions. The MARC in Wichita Falls will be open May 24<sup>th</sup> from 12 p.m. to 6 p.m.; it will be opened from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. May 25<sup>th</sup> thru May 29<sup>th</sup>.

Operational information from specific VOAD agencies follows:

**American Red Cross (ARC):** ARC Disaster Relief operations are headquartered in Dallas. ARC is providing sheltering, feeding, damage assessments, and case management as requested. A breakdown of activities follows:

**Mass Care Sheltering:** The ARC continues to support shelter operations in affected communities. Shelters have been pre-identified in locations with the potential for impact. Supplies are staged and workers are on standby. Shelter status as of 1:30 AM May 23<sup>rd</sup>:

Shelter Name	Location	City/County	Population
Hirschi High School	3106 Borton St	Wichita Falls/Wichita	2
Recreational Activity Center	N 3 <sup>rd</sup> & Business 287	Iowa Park/Wichita	0
Burkburnett Community Center	735 Davy Drive	Burkburnett/Wichita	0
Midwestern State University Sikes Lake Building		Wichita Falls/Wichita	3
Lone Star Community Center		Montgomery/Montgomery	41
San Marcos Activity Center		San Marcos/Hays	63
Northwest Fellowship Church		Austin/Williamson	0
Animal (Pet)		Wichita Falls/Wichita	24
Luling Jr High Gym	204 S. Hackberry Ave	Caldwell/Luling	0
Wimberley High School	100 Carney Rd	Hays/Wimberley	2
Chinese Community Center		Houston/Harris	39

### **Feeding**

Feeding is ongoing in shelters with populations. Snacks and water are being distributed at service centers and through mobile distribution.

**Bulk Distribution:** Supplies were distributed in multiple affected areas throughout the state.

### **Reunification**

The Texas Flooding and Tornado Event remain active on the Safe and Well ( <https://safeandwell.communityos.org/zf/safe/add> ) website for individuals and organizations to share their safety messages.

**Preparedness:** Materials on recovery and preparedness are being distributed in affected areas.

**Recovery:** Service Centers were opened in Webster, Van and Bowie for impacted residents. Services are being provided in other affected areas as needed.

**External Relations:** DigiDOC is activated, gathering and relaying social media information.

**Damage Assessment:** ARC continues with Damage Assessments newly affected counties and shares numbers with TXVOAD, TDEM and FEMA.

**Staffing:** Across the state we had 59 employees and 281 volunteers dedicated to this disaster response yesterday, working 590 hours and 2810 hours respectively.

**Adventist Community Services:** Mobile Distribution Unit will be placed in the parking lot of Central Texas Medical Center, 1301 Wonder World Dr., San Marcos, TX 78666. Adventist Community Services will have pre-packaged clothing outfits, personal care kits, blankets, and sheets available and a limited numbers of clean up buckets also. It will open at 10 a.m. Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Southern Baptists of Texas Convention (SBTC) - Disaster Relief Ministry:** SBTC has multiple response units in Van, and they completed 2 chainsaw jobs on Wednesday; 30 chainsaw jobs have been completed to date. Shower unit, assessment teams and chaplains are also on the ground working in Van. Twelve volunteers were on site Thursday; 120 total volunteer hours for May 21<sup>th</sup>.

Resource Kind and Type	Qty	# Personnel	Status	Resource Location
Chainsaw Unit	1	5	Deployed	Van
Shower Unit	1	3	Deployed	Van
Operations Team	1	3	Activated	Van
Chaplain Team	1	1	Deployed	Van
Needs Assessment Team	1	2	Deployed	Van
SBTC Support Team	1	3	Deployed	Van
TBM Pallet Jacks	2		Activated	
Chainsaw Unit	1	4	Deployed	Cisco
Skidsteer	1		Demobilized	Cisco
TBM Chainsaw Unit	2	14	Demobilized	Cisco
TBM Chainsaw Unit	2	20	Deployed	Denton Co.
TBM Chainsaw Unit	2	14	Deployed	Van
Box Unit	1	1	Deployed	Van
TBM Blue Tarp	1	1	Deployed	Van
TBM Tower (3 Lights)	1		Deployed	Van
TBM Mudout	1		Demobilized	Celina
TBM Mobile Command Post	1	2	Deployed	Van
TBM Disaster Assessment Team	1	8	Demobilized	Corpus Christi
SAL Liaison	1	1	Active	SOC
SAL Mobile Kitchen	1	6	Active	Van
SAL Trailer	3		Active	Van
SAL Mobile Kitchen	1	9	Active	Banquete
SAL Warehouse Equipment			Standby	Van
SAL Volunteers	27			168 hours

Samaritans Purse Skidsteer	1	5	Active	Van
Samaritans Purse Volunteers	186			1188 hours
LDS Church Volunteers				1800 hours

**OneStar Foundation's AmeriCorps\*Texas Program:** OneStar Foundation is providing a SOC Liaison to represent Texas VOAD.

#### **Agencies Participating at the MARC:**

**Texas Baptist Men:** Operations have been completed in Van, Cisco, Denton, Mineral Wells, Celina, Bridgeport, Grayson County, Robstown, Runaway Bay, Somerville, and Aubrey. Resources are being mobilized for response in Wichita Falls. Incident command bus and other resources should be on site Wednesday, May 28<sup>th</sup>. Performed some Mud-out work in Krum; waiting for water to recede. Feeding operations will begin in Wichita Falls for those under mandatory evacuation on Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup>. Two Feeding units are on alert for possible deployment. Total Volunteer Hours for the Operational Hours: 70

**Wichita Falls-**The American Red Cross has requested a field kitchen; operation date has not been decided at this time. TBM are preparing for mud out operations and preparing mobile command post to respond.

**The Salvation Army (TSA):** TSA continues to have a liaison present at the SOC to monitor any requests and coordinate with other State agencies and voluntary agencies.

**Banquete:** Corpus Christi Corps Canteen located at Banquete Jr. High School provided 60 meals. Total of 15 volunteer hours on May 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Bridgeport:** Dallas - Fort Worth Area Command located at Bridgeport mobile home community on 920, served 30 meals / 100 snacks / 150 drinks / 12 hygiene kits / 19 bibles from 5/20-5/21 / 19.5 volunteer hours on May 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Wichita Falls:** Wichita Falls Corps Canteen, San Angelo Corps Canteen, DFW Metroplex Command Canteen, and Midland Corps Canteen are active in Wichita Falls. Canteens provided 189 meals, 247 beverages on May 22<sup>nd</sup> and 1,089 meals, 2,137 drinks and 148 snacks on May 23<sup>rd</sup>. TSA Wichita Falls Lodge has a shelter capacity of 135 and will open during this event. Head count: 39 May 22<sup>nd</sup>; 41 May 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Laredo:** Laredo Corps (408 Matamoros, Laredo, TX 78040) is supporting shelters in Cotulla and Crystal City.

**Houston:** Houston Area Command will be providing meals at the American Red Cross Shelter (Lone Star Community Center, 2500 Lone Star Parkway, Montgomery, TX 77356) beginning at 6 a.m. May 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Austin:** TSA Austin Area Command will be providing meals at two shelters in San Marcos (Hernandez Elementary School, 333 Stagecoach Trail, and San Marcos Activity Center, 501 E. Hopkins St.).



**New Braunfels:** New Braunfels Corps is standing up response operations to support shelters in the area. Service Extension Regions 2 and 3 (Northeast Texas/Central West Texas rural communities).

**Tyler:** Tyler Corps is continuing to provide assistance in Van Zandt and Smith Counties.

TSA has determined no unmet needs at this time. Total volunteer hours this operational period: 5 volunteers for 15 hours.

**Feeding Texas:** East Texas Food Bank (ETFB) – Providing an SOC Liaison to represent Texas VOAD. Continues to support the community of Van with collection, sorting and storage of donated food product.

Wichita Falls Area Food Bank: Food Bank helped approximately thirty families yesterday at the multi-resource center. The multi-resource center is open from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. today and then all week from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. The food bank has requested community/public donations of microwavable foods and baby diapers. The food bank will be open tomorrow, May 25<sup>th</sup> to receive the donations.

Resource Kind and Type	Qty	# Personnel	Status	Resource Location
Liaison	1	1	Active	SOC
Shelter	1		Stood down	Corsicana
Shelter	1		Stand-by	Laredo
Mobile Kitchen	2	4	Active	Van
Trailer 52'	2		Active	Van
Mobile Kitchen	1		Active	Banquette

This table displays TSA's resources only.

**Air Land Emergency Resource Team (ALERT):** Seven ALERT men worked on tree removal with chainsaws and tarping roofs in Van.

**Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC):** TxDOT received three sandbagging machines from the State of Louisiana and were delivered to the Beaumont District. The Beaumont District then deployed the machines to Liberty, Huntsville and Rusk.

Two UH-60 helicopters were deployed to Texas from the Louisiana National Guard. They have been staged at Ellington Air Field in Houston.

**Public Utilities Commission (PUC):** Current utility outages for the State of Texas: Austin Energy 3,849, Oncor: 3,796, AEP Texas: 2,500, CenterPoint: 3,572, Bluebonnet: 750 & Entergy: 57.

**FINAL COMMENTS:** The State Operations Center (SOC) is at Level I (Emergency Conditions). The SOC held a severe weather event conference call with the National Weather Service and State agency representatives at 10:00 am (CDT) yesterday morning. The Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) continues to monitor the situation and will provide additional situation reports as needed.

**The four levels of SOC activation are:**

- Level I (Emergency Conditions)
- Level II (Escalated Response Conditions)
- Level III (Increased Readiness Conditions)
- Level IV (Normal Conditions)

*This Situation Report can be found on the TDEM webpage at [www.txdps.state.tx.us/dem](http://www.txdps.state.tx.us/dem).*

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